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Mr. Will Kempton, Director California Department of Transportation 1120 N Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Attention: Federal Resources Office, M.S. #82

For Ross A. Chittenden, Transportation Programming

Dear Mr. Kempton:

SUBJECT: AMBAG 2006/07 MTIP/FSTIP AMENDMENT NO. 3

We have completed our review of Amendment No. 3 to the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) portion of the 2006/07-2008/09 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) that was submitted by your letter dated January 26, 2007. As detailed in the enclosure to your letter, this amendment adds four new project listings and modifies six project listings in the MTIP/FSTIP for the metropolitan planning region encompassing the counties of Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz. The AMBAG Board of Directors endorsed this amendment to the FY 2006/07-2008/09 Monterey Bay Area Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) on January 10, 2007, by approving Resolution No. 2007-22.

We are approving this amendment to the 2006/07-2008/09 FSTIP for the AMBAG region pursuant to the Federal statewide and metropolitan transportation planning requirements, including the September 2, 2005, Interim Guidance for Implementing Key SAFETEA-LU Provisions on Planning, Environment and Air Quality for Joint FHWA/FTA Authorities; and in accord with the July 15, 2004, Memorandum of Understanding between the FHWA, California Division, and the FTA, Region IX. We find that the AMBAG 2006/07-2008/09 MTIP, including the changes proposed in Amendment No. 3, was developed through a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process in accord with the metropolitan transportation planning provisions of 23 U.S.C. §134 and 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53.

If you have questions or need additional information concerning our approval of this amendment, please contact Wade Hobbs of the FHWA California Division office at (916) 498-5027, or by email at wade.hobbs@fhwa.dot.gov; or Lorraine Lerman in the FTA, Region IX office at (415) 744-2735, or by email at Lorraine.Lerman@fta.dot.gov.

Sincerely,

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